

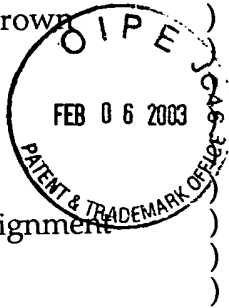
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Guy Peter Bryan-Brown

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For: "Liquid Crystal Device Alignment"



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Examiner: Jeanne A. Di Grazio

Re: RESPONSE

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the Official Action dated September 30, 2002. Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the prosecution history of the subject application without prejudice.

In The Claims

Please replace currently pending claims 1, 13, 18, 33 and 44 with amended claims 1, 13, 18, 33 and 44. Please cancel currently pending claims 2 and 45 without prejudice or disclaimer. Please amend currently pending claims 4-12, 13-18, 20, 21, 25, 29, 33, 34, 39, 40, 41, 44 and 47-50. The amendments in the claims are set forth in the enclosed Appendix A. (Appendix B which is enclosed herewith shows how currently pending claims 1, 4-12, 13-18, 20-21, 25, 29, 33, 34, 35, 39, 40, 41, 44 and 47-50 were amended to produce amended claims 1, 4-12, 13-18, 20, 21, 25, 29, 33, 34, 35, 39, 40, 41, 44 and 47-50 in Appendix A. In Appendix B the portions being added are underlined and the portions being deleted are enclosed in brackets.)

Priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 & 120

In item 13 of the Summary to the Office Action the Examiner objects that the certified